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Tetsuo ASADA

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SHEET FEED DEVICE FOR FEEDING CUT SHEETS WHILE INTERPOSING SHORTENED INTERVAL BETWEEN SUCCESSIVE FED TWO SHEETS

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- \boxtimes Computer-generated English translations of the following Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 3-6.

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